

Frederick Haring House  
Old Tappan Road at Pearl River Road  
Old Tappan, Bergen County, New Jersey

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Owner: Mrs. Henry Norton  
78 McDougal Street  
New York City

Date of Erection: Third quarter of the eighteenth century

Architect:

Builder: Frederick Haring

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Foundation - sandstone

Exterior walls - sandstone with  
frame gable ends; front wall  
tooled, rest random

Interior walls - lath and  
plaster

Floors - wide pine boards on  
tree trunks and partly hewn  
beams

Roof - gambrel

Historical Data:

The Haring family was among the original patentees of the Tappan patent. The first of the family in America was Jan Pietersen who came to New Amsterdam in 1660. He died in 1685 and the following year his widow and her children moved to Tappan, New York. Four of the children settled in what is now Harrington Township.

The builder of this house was Frederick<sup>5</sup> Haring. He erected it on his grandfather's land before the Revolution in which he served as a first Lieutenant in the Orange Regiment of Militia. He was born in 1729 and died 1807. According to his will dated October 25, 1800 his two sons Harrmanus and Abraham were to have "a just and equal share of my buildings, houses". Abraham<sup>6</sup>, the youngest of his ten children was born in 1775 and died 1858, received the house of the survey. The next owner was Abraham's son Frederick A.<sup>7</sup>; from him the house passed to his youngest son Garret F.<sup>8</sup>. He was the last of the family to own the property. His widow sold the house in 1928 to Charles L. and G. Hall Cook who in turn sold to Natalie T. Corbett from whom the present owner purchased as Elizabeth S. Weisman now Mrs. Henry Norton.

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